

Went
Tuesday Evening, 27 June.

Dear Doctor Brewster,

I received Your
friendly letter, this
evening, with great
interest & gratitude. The
succession of serious
attacks for two months
in Edward's normal
health, & the stubbornness
now of the abscess, have
made his mother &
sisters & myself very
anxious, & not the less

that he inclines ever
to put the best face on
on his condition. I was
the more glad to have
him return to you & to
Dr Hodges for advice
& treatment, and I share
his entire satisfaction in
the result so far.

But you have added
to this benefit a hospi-
tality & tenderness so
complete as quite to
kill his heart & ours
with gratitude to
you & to Mrs Bowditch,

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and I only write
now to say so.

I am quite of your
Opinion that Edward
cannot begin his travels
till the wound begins
to heal, & I think
he also is convinced
of that necessity.

Your obliged friend

R. W. Emerson

Dr Henry Bowditch.

Ralph Waldo Emerson